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Veterans Day Celebration Includes Free Day Use at Orange County State Parks and an Open House

Orange County Community News – Veterans Honored by State Parks

California State Parks has announced that its Orange Coast District will be honoring local veterans this coming November 11th (Veteran's Day) by inviting all veterans and active military service members for free day use at six Orange County state parks including San Onofre State Beach, San Clemente State Beach, Doheny State Beach, Crystal Cove State Park, Huntington State Beach, and Bolsa Chica State Beach. In addition to free day use, veterans and the public are invited to a free open-house from 11AM to 3PM at the 1930's era historic San Clemente cottage and visitor center located on the ocean bluff top at San Clemente State Beach.

The open-house event is co-hosted and sponsored by the San Onofre Foundation, the park's official non-profit cooperating association partner. Jim Kempton, the Foundation's president, commented that the event invites the community to show their appreciation for local veteran's while enjoying refreshments, meeting neighbors, and learning about the park's local history including a proud connection to the neighboring Marine Base.

"We are honored to extend a heartfelt "thank you" to the many veterans in our community who have served in our country's armed forces" said Park Superintendent Rich Haydon who oversees the south county state parks including San Onofre State Beach, which is operated under a long-term lease between the U.S. Navy-Marine Base Camp Pendleton and California State Parks.

For more information contact State Parks at (949) 492-0802.

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